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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant(s) : Tetsujiro KONDO et al.
Serial No. : 10/030,591
For : DATA PROCESSING APPARATUS AND METHOD
AND RECORDING MEDIUM
Filed : June 3, 2002
Examiner : Amir Alavi
Art Unit : 2621

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Mail Stop Amendment
Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

Transmitted herewith is an amendment in the above-identified application.

- ☒ No additional fee is required.
☐ The fee has been calculated as shown below.
☐ This is an application of a small entity under 37 CFR 1.9(f), and the amounts shown in parentheses apply.

Claims as Amended

(1)	(2) Claims remaining after amendment	(3)	(4) Highest number previously paid for	(5) Present extra	(6) Rate	(7) Additional Fee
Total claims	132	Minus	** =132	* 0 x	\$50 (25)	= \$ 0
Independent claims	33	Minus	*** =33	* 0 x	\$200 (100)	= \$ 0
Total additional fee for this amendment						\$ 0

* If the entry in Column 2 is less than the entry in Column 4, write "0" in Column 5.

** If the highest number of total claims previously paid for is less than 20, write "20" in this space.

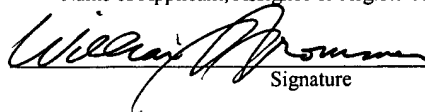
*** If the highest number of independent claims previously paid for is less than 3, write "3" in this space.

- ☐ This application contains a multiple dependent claim. The required fee of \$360(180) has been previously paid ☐, or is paid herewith ☐.
- ☐ This response is being filed within the _____ month following the expiration of the term originally set therefor. This is a petition to request a _____ month extension of time. A check covering the cost of the petition is enclosed.
- ☐ A check in the amount of \$_____ is attached, which covers the cost of ☐ additional claims _____ petition for extension of time.
- ☐ Charge \$_____ to Deposit Account No. 50-0320.
- ☒ Please charge any additional fees incurred by reason of this response or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 50-0320.

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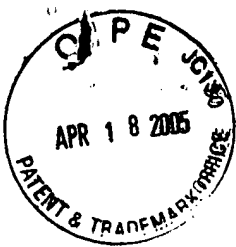
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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

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Sir:

This is in response to the Office Action dated March 17, 2005, wherein restriction was required as follows:

Group I claims 1-13, 25-39, 54-67 and 100-113, directed to what the Examiner stated is "details of decoding;"

Group II claims 14-24, 52-53, 68-79, 91-99 and 114-125, directed to what the Examiner stated is “minimizing errors;”

Group III claims 40-51, directed to what the Examiner stated is “utilization of learning systems;”

Group IV claims 80-90, directed to what the Examiner stated is “classification;” and

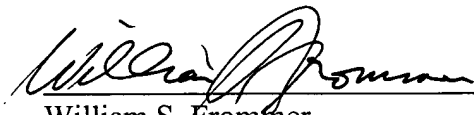
Group V claims 126-132, directed to what the Examiner stated is “correlation processing.”

While Applicants do not agree with the characterization of the Examiner’s requirement, nevertheless, Applicants elect, **without traverse**, Group I claims 1-13, 25-39, 54-67 and 100-113 for further prosecution in the present application.

Applicants reserve their right to file one or more divisional applications to re-present nonelected claims 14-24, 40-53, 68-99 and 114-132.

An early examination on the merits of the elected claims is solicited.

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